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Smart, Scott Repeat as Athletes of the Year

Women's basketball player Brittany Smart and men's track & field performer Jason Scott have been named the 2006-07 Athletes of the Year at Cedarville University. The two were chosen in voting by the school's head coaches.

Smart, a senior from Springfield, Ohio, averaged 28.4 points per game in leading the Lady Jackets to a fourth consecutive trip to the NAIA II National Tournament. The 5-foot-9 guard scored a school season record 967 points to end her CU career as the NAIA II all-time leading scorer with 3,236 points.

Smart was the 2007 NAIA Division II National Player of the Year and was named to the NAIA Division II All-America First Team for the third straight year. She also repeated as the American Midwest Conference Player of the Year. Smart led the 27-7 Lady Jackets to their fifth straight AMC title and a Final Four appearance at the NAIA II National Tournament. She produced three 40-point games and ten 30-point performances during the 2006-07 season.

Scott, a 5-10 senior from Clayton, Ohio, captured CU's Male Athlete of the Year award for the third straight time. The pole vault specialist won his second consecutive NAIA indoor title with a school-record effort of 17-feet 8.50-inches at the national meet in March in Johnson City, Tennessee.

Scott's current outdoor school-record mark of 17-1 ranks second in the NAIA. Scott, an NAIA Outdoor All-American, set a new AMC record of 16-9.25 to capture the 2007 American Midwest Conference title. He was also a winner at the National Pole Vault Summit held in Reno, Nevada earlier this year. Scott helped the Yellow Jackets to consecutive NCCAA Indoor National Championships.

Both athletes were honored at the CU Athletic Department's annual Honors and Appreciation Banquet on April 23, 2007.



Brittany Smart



Jason Scott



Brittany Smart led the Lady Jackets to the NAIA National Tournament Final Four. She was the 2006-07 NAIA II National Player of the Year.



Jason Scott is the 2007 AMC Pole Vault Champion. His current best outdoor mark of 17-1 ranks second in the NAIA.



Cedarville University 2006-07 Athletes of the Year Jason Scott and Brittany Smart with Yellow Jacket Athletic Director, Pete Reese.

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THIS ONE THING

by Dr. Don Callan

"But one thing I do, forgetting what lies behind and straining forward to what lies ahead, I press on toward the goal for the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus." Philippians 3:13,14.



The prize, the reward, the award, the championship, the won and loss record. All are worthy objectives, and we spend enormous amounts of time in planning, recruiting, instructing and strategizing to bring about what the world calls success.

I want to draw your attention to what I have observed in the past few months that seems to make these objectives fade into insignificance when compared with the real life objectives we should have for our lives after our sports careers.

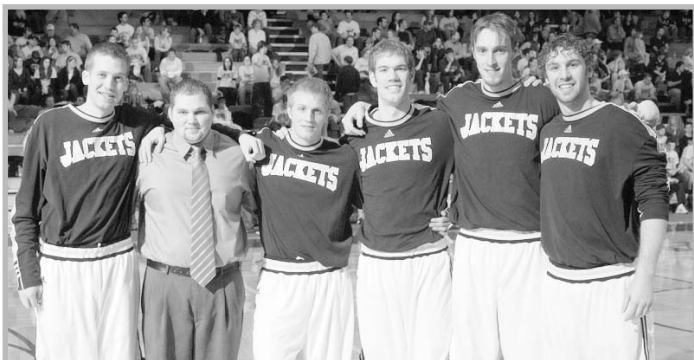
I have been fortunate to observe our athletes and coaches in action for many years, and have gained a huge respect for how they compete, and how they win and lose. My most recent experience was to see with new eyes how our coaches and athletes handle the honors they receive.

This spring I attended the men's and women's basketball banquets. Our two head coaches, Ray Slagle and Kirk Martin, decid-

ed to fade into the background and let the players speak and respond with regard to the awards and the seasons they had just completed. The players honored one another. The coaches said very little and they were not mentioned much either, but I have never heard a greater tribute to coaches than what I heard. The players spoke with dignity, insight, and warmth about one another and the happenings of the season. They honored Jesus Christ in what they said and how they said it. They told what was important to them and what they will remember from being on the team. The coaches had to be bursting their buttons watching and listening to the tributes and the tears as presentations were made. My response, while amazed at the tributes and interaction was, Wow! What great coaches and teachers we have leading our athletes."

The coaches have created a climate in which true spiritual growth can take place. They are using the athletic setting to present and develop understanding of who God is and what He wants us to become. Very little was said about the coaches, but the activities of the evening shouted volumes as to what was taking place in the coaching of our Cedarville University athletes. The **focus** of our coaches is one to be emulated by all those who call themselves Christian.

Dr. Don Callan is the former Dean of the School of Health and Human Performance at Cedarville University. He also previously coached the Yellow Jacket men's basketball team for 35 years and is a member of the NAIA Hall of Fame.



Senior members of the 2006-07 CU men's basketball team (left-to-right): Guy Rathmell, Loren Kuhn, Eric Leininger, Josh Greve, Maicol Venter and Tyler Yoder.



Senior members of the 2006-07 CU women's basketball team (left-to-right): Katy Barry, Kristi Beougher, Brittany Smart, Stacie Travis and Karah Walton.

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2006-07 Athletic Honors



Stacie Travis and Phil Shimer with Dr. and Mrs. Don Callan.

Women's basketball performer Stacie Travis and men's soccer player Phil Shimer are the recipients of the Don and Nedra Callan Sports Ministry Awards at Cedarville University for the 2006-07 academic year. The honor recognizes student-athletes for their evangelism in and through sports activities while at the institution.

Travis, Shimer Recognized for Sports Ministry

The awards are given in the name of Don and Nedra Callan, who have been committed to worldwide sports evangelism for more than four decades. Dr. Callan is the former Dean of the School of Health and Human Performance and has served in various other capacities in athletics during his 47 years at the school.

Travis, a senior guard from Virginia Beach, VA, was part of a Lady Jacket basketball squad that finished with a 27-7 record, a fourth straight NAIA National Tournament appearance and four consecutive American Midwest Conference championships. She was part of two missions trips to the Dominican Republic with a third trip planned this summer. She has been involved in Special Olympics and the Adopt-A-School program for four years at the NAIA National Tournament.

Shimer, a senior defender from Hilliard, Ohio, is a four-year member of the Yellow Jacket men's soccer squad. The team finished as the runner-up at the NCCAA National Tournament this past fall where Shimer and his teammates also received the NCCAA Sportsmanship Award. He has spent every summer involved in ministry including missions trips to Brazil and Africa. Shimer, a two-year team chaplain, spent last summer in Kansas City working in an inner-city ministry.

Ensslen, Reeder earn Callan Awards



Richie Reeder with Dr. Don Callan.

(Sarah Ensslen was not able to attend the banquet.)

Sarah Ensslen



Women's track & field performer Sarah Ensslen and baseball player Richie Reeder are the recipients of the Donald E. Callan Awards at Cedarville University for the 2006-07 academic year. The awards are given in the name of Dr. Don Callan, former Dean of the School of Health and Human Performance. Dr. Callan has served in various other capacities in athletics during his 47 years at the school.

The awards recognize student-athletes who have participated all four years at the school with an emphasis on Christian service, academics, leadership, and athletic accomplishment.

Ensslen, a senior from Glenmoore, PA, is a three-year captain of the Lady Jackets. She is the 2007 NAIA Indoor Triple Jump champion and a three-time NAIA All-American in the event. Ensslen was named the 2007 Outstanding Field Performer at the AMC Championships this spring. She has taken four missions trips to Bolivia and one to the Dominican Republic.

Reeder, a senior from York, PA, is a four-year starter for the Yellow Jacket baseball squad with a career batting average over .300. He was a member of the 2004 NCCAA Midwest Region championship team and was named to the 2005 NCCAA Midwest Region Team. Reeder is an NAIA and NCCAA All-America Scholar-Athlete. He has participated in two missions trips to the Dominican Republic.

Bradley, Price & Elliott are NAIA "Champions of Character"



Abby Price, Julia Bradley and Andrew Elliott with Marv Troyer, Cedarville University's NAIA Champion of Character campus liaison.

Women's soccer player Abby Price, women's volleyball athlete Julia Bradley and men's soccer performer Andrew Elliott are the recipients of the fourth annual National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics "Champion of Character" Award at Cedarville University for the 2006-07 academic year. The honor recognizes student-athletes for their representation of the five core values the NAIA has established that comprise a Champion of Character: respect, integrity, responsibility, servant leadership and sportsmanship.

Price, a senior from Cincinnati, OH, helped lead the 2006 Lady Jackets to the NCCAA Midwest Region semi-finals. She is a Dean's List student as an early childhood education major and was a four-year member of the Lady Jacket women's soccer squad. According to her coach, Mr. John McGillivray, "It is obvious that Abby embodies all of the Champion of Character qualities."

Bradley, a senior from Valencia, CA, led the Lady Jacket volleyball squad to consecutive NCCAA National Titles and three NAIA National Tournament appearances. She is CU's all-time leader in kills and blocks. Coach Melissa Hartman notes, "Julia is a woman of integrity with a servant's heart."

Elliott, a senior from Portville, NY, was a two-year starter for the Yellow Jacket soccer team. He helped the squad advance to the 2006 NCCAA National Championship game. His coach, Ben Belleman, added the following, "Andrew works hard, loves his teammates and plays to honor Christ. He overwhelmed the team with his persistence and strength this past season in light of some very difficult circumstances."

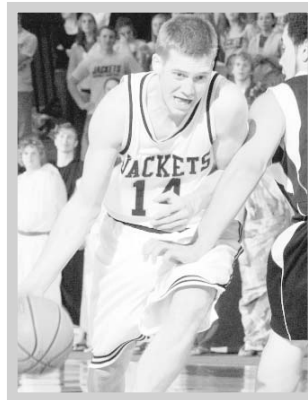


Yellow Jacket Winter Sports Highlights



Yellow Jacket forward Guy Rathmell (right) was named to the 2007 NAIA Division II National All-Tournament Team. The 6-foot-5 senior from West Windsor, New York, averaged 13 points and six rebounds per game. He led CU in three-point FG percentage with a .424 mark.

The 2006-07 men's basketball squad completed a 23-8 campaign that included an AMC South Division co-championship and an Elite Eight finish at the NAIA Division II National Tournament.



Lady Jacket guard Brittany Smart (left) was named the NAIA Division II National Player of the Year. The 5-foot-9 senior from Springfield, Ohio is a three-time NAIA All-America First Team selection.

The 2006-07 women's basketball squad completed a 27-7 campaign that included a fourth straight AMC South title, AMC Championship and berth in the NAIA II National Tournament where they advanced to the Final Four.



Daniel Roberts (right) was named the Outstanding Male Athlete of the Meet and Cedarville University won its second straight title at the National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA) Indoor Track & Field Championship.

Roberts, a freshman from Vicksburg, Michigan, won the mile run with a time of 4:13.48 and also placed first in the 3,000 meters in 8:47.36.

The Yellow Jackets finished with 135 points in the 12-team field.



Senior Sarah Ensslen (left) won two events as the Lady Jackets repeated as National Christian College Athletic Association (NCCAA) Indoor Track & Field champions.

Ensslen, a senior from Glenmoore, Pennsylvania, took top honors in both the long jump (18-feet 1-inch) and triple jump (38-5).

Cedarville piled up 157 points to easily outscore the rest of the 13-team field.



Women's Tennis Leave Rackets in the States; Reach Children in Dominican



by Jim Sawin, Sports Information Intern

A number of athletic teams at Cedarville University head south during spring break in order to compete in some favorable weather conditions. Baseball and softball head to Florida, golf to Georgia, and track and field to Tennessee. While all of the above teams travelled south for competition, the women's tennis team chose to take a trip to the Dominican Republic without their tennis rackets.

The team had the opportunity to work with HOPE International, a ministry not associated with athletics. Why would a tennis team at the start of their spring season choose a ministry that didn't allow them to practice? The most important thing to the team was interacting with children so they could impact their lives. With HOPE International, the women would have the opportunity to work with the same children every day, so the ladies took a step of faith and headed to the Dominican without their rackets.

"We knew that it was going to be a sacrifice to give up this time of practice," said No. 1 player Alisa Rutt. "But we also knew that the benefit was there and that God would bless our efforts as we came back for our season."

Five coaches and all 12 members of the women's tennis team arrived in Santo Domingo, DR with the understanding that they would be teaching English to children at language camps. When they met with Pastor Daniel King in the DR, however, he asked them to take on a couple other responsibilities.

"Originally we were told we would only be teaching English to the kids," said tennis coach Pam Johnson. "But when we got there, Pastor Daniel expected us to do everything. The girls were excited about the new duties because they were prepared to tell Bible stories and loved to play games."

The team took advantage of these new responsibilities and was able to share their faith with a number of children and teens during the camp sessions. Senior Laura McCully reflects on God's hand in the Dominican: "My favorite memory of the trip to the DR was one of the Bible classes we

taught. It was neat as the week went on to see our class size double and almost triple in just four days. On Wednesday afternoon, I had the opportunity to share my testimony with the group and apply it to our lesson which was about Christ's unconditional love for each of us. They asked all sorts of questions—it was another opportunity to share our faith and relate to them on a personal basis."

As the members of the team were impacting the lives of many in the Dominican, they were also developing bonds with their teammates—bonds which began in the fall when the girls started meeting together once a week for a team Bible study. This team connection contributed to the women's ability to work together in the Dominican even though it didn't involve tennis.

"This was a great trip for our team to take prior to our season because we really got to know the freshmen," said junior player Olivia Dolph. "Usually we don't real-

ly know them until the end of the year. Our team came together in a way I never expected and really allowed God's love to shine through us."

"Everyone saw everyone else on the team in a different way starting in the fall and especially on the trip," said Coach Johnson. "It's a coach's dream to have your players appreciate each other off-the-court and I believe we'll see that bond displayed in our tennis matches."

God has blessed the team's willingness to reach the people in the Dominican. Although the team didn't practice at all on the trip, they are having a successful spring season.

This is yet another example of God bestowing blessings upon His children for putting Him first in their lives.

Alisa puts it best, saying, "Although we went to the Dominican to share the blessings that we have, I feel as though we have each been blessed and have learned so much through this experience."

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Women's Tennis Team Shares



The Lady Jacket women's tennis team arrives in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic for their week-long missions trip during Spring Break 2007.



Senior Betsy Verwys gives some guidance to one of her English students from the community center.



Sarah Andersen and a shy friend during a break from class at the Dominican community center.



Jade Burley, Georgiann McClure, Anna Strayhorn and Rachel Arthur with members of the youngest age group at ICHADI - a community center in Santo Domingo.



Jade Burley and her Lady Jacket teammates give out candy to children in the streets of a Dominican village.



Roslyn Sakaguchi and her new friend from the Dominican Republic.



Coach Pam Johnson shares a digital photograph with children from a village near Santo Domingo.

Christ's Love in Dominican Republic



Alisa Rutt and Laura McCully share some special time with a group of children from ICHADI - a community center in Santo Domingo.



Lady Jacket freshman Carissa Parmerlee showing some of God's love to a "senorita" from the Santo Domingo community center.



Melinda Workman helps out one of her students during an afternoon English class.



Junior Olivia Dolph and the rest of the team teaching a song in English - with the help of a translator - in the courtyard of the community center.



The Lady Jacket tennis squad with the entire morning group class from ICHADI. Pastor King, the leader of the center, is shown on the far left.



A group of children in the streets of a village in the Dominican Republic.



Members of the Lady Jackets with some new believers at the Dominican community center.



Coach Johnson in class with her Dominican students.



Off-the-Court Impact Still Smart's Main Mission

by Kermit Rowe, Sports Editor, Springfield News-Sun

Brittany Smart: You just ended your Cedarville University career as the highest-scoring female college basketball player in Ohio and NAIA Division II history.

What are you going to do next?

Unless there's an opportunity to share her faith, it won't be going to Disney World.

She's made a major impact on the court at every level she's played, but behind all the headlines, and awards and victories lies a burning desire to make a bigger impact off of it.

So just two days after suffering a heart-breaking end to a hallmark career in the NAIA national semifinals, Smart was already healing.

"I know somehow through our loss, we impacted another person on the other team," she said. "It's not the end of the world. But it really tests your character."

"(A national title) was a team goal, and we're all disappointed that we didn't quite capture that. But the Lord has his reasons."

Those reasons are enough for her.

"The Lord's been good to us," she said. "He can definitely provide success, but success in different ways. It may be something you don't even realize at the time."

So she's OK with her collegiate career coming to an end.

"There's mixed emotions definitely," she said. "It's been a great four years at Cedarville. But at the same time, I'm anxious to move on and see what's out there."

Like the WNBA?

"That's still up in the air," said Smart. "I really didn't go the right route of the D-I college and make my name known. But I still want to keep playing. Whether it's the WNBA, or overseas or Athletes in Action."

She is going to work in an Athletes in Action camp this summer, plus help coach an elite AAU team in Cleveland.

"That's how I've had a huge platform for Christ, is playing," she said.

"It's a great way to get to know some great people, too."

Smart relies on her skills to open doors for sharing her faith, no matter where those doors might lead.

"I'm not going to say, 'This is where I want to go, this is what I want to do.' I'm just going to go through whatever door is open," she said.

Smart is hoping to use her sports exercise studies major, though.

"It'll be something to do with sports. Because the Lord has blessed me with athletic ability. As long as I can impact people's lives with my gifts, he'll keep blessing me."

"Having my faith has really gotten me through it all," she continued. "I really believe I've given him all the glory. Really, our success is not in the world's eyes, but in the Lord's eyes."

That's why her athletic accomplishments are secondary.

"I'm going to be done playing basketball, and all my records are just going to fade away, going to be broken," she said. "But that's what's so awesome about it: Your relationship with Him is never going to fade away."

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Brittany Smart's Career Highlights:

- NAIA II all-time leading scorer (3,236)
- All-time women's collegiate basketball leading scorer in the state of Ohio
- Three-time NAIA II First Team All-American
- Holds NAIA national tournament records for most points scored (405), most field goals made (138), and most free throws made (102).
- Two-time AMC Player of the Year
- Scored in double figures in all but four games and in the last 109 consecutive games of her career.
- Recorded 20 career 30-point games and eight 40-point games
- Four-year career scoring average of 22.8 ppg.
- CU compiled a 4-year record of 126-16 (including 69-3 in the AMC South Division)



Brittany Smart's Road to 3,236 Points



2003-04 Season (35-3)

Opponent	Date	Pts
ROBERTS WESLEYAN	11/7/03	10
INDIANA WESLEYAN	11/8/03	13
at Taylor	11/11/03	14
vs Madonna	11/14/03	20
at Huntington	11/15/03	13
CENTRAL STATE	11/18/03	29
vs Siena Heights	11/21/03	20
at Grace	11/22/03	14
at Ursuline	12/2/03	22
MARIAN	12/4/03	17
MALONE	12/6/03	10
at Ohio Dominican	12/13/03	12
at Spring Arbor	12/16/03	13
vs Evangel	12/18/03	18
at Webber International	12/19/03	21
vs Georgetown	12/20/03	11
MT. VERNON NAZARENE	1/3/04	11
WILBERFORCE	1/8/04	15
at Tiffin	1/10/04	14
at Rio Grande	1/13/04	14
WALSH	1/17/04	12
at Urbana	1/20/04	16
at Wilberforce	1/22/04	14
at Malone	1/24/04	7
OHIO DOMINICAN	1/29/04	20
at Mt. Vernon Nazarene	1/31/04	9
at Shawnee State	2/5/04	27
TIFFIN	2/7/04	9
URBANA	2/10/04	13
at Walsh	2/14/04	13
RIO GRANDE	2/17/04	16
SHAWNEE STATE	2/21/04	12
DAEMEN	2/28/04	5
vs Maine-Fort Kent	3/10/04	13
vs Ozarks	3/12/04	15
vs Concordia NE	3/13/04	22
vs Hastings	3/15/04	25
vs Morningside	3/16/04	15
Totals	15.1 avg.	574

2004-05 Season (35-2)

Opponent	Date	Pts
MADONNA	11/5/04	16
INDIANA WESLEYAN	11/6/04	20
URSULINE	11/9/04	15
vs Saint Joseph's	11/12/04	24
at Huntington	11/13/04	19
TAYLOR	11/16/04	29
vs Saint Ambrose	11/19/04	17
vs Indiana Tech	11/20/04	20
MALONE	11/23/04	17
RIO GRANDE	11/30/04	25
vs Finlandia	12/3/04	11
at Cardinal Stritch	12/4/04	31
at Shawnee State	12/11/04	41
vs Vanguard	12/17/04	18
at California Baptist	12/18/04	26
SAINT FRANCIS	12/30/04	17
at Wilberforce	1/4/05	21
at Mt. Vernon Nazarene	1/8/05	14
URBANA	1/11/05	26

at Ohio Dominican	1/15/05	24
TIFFIN	1/18/05	21
at Walsh	1/22/05	25
SHAWNEE STATE	1/25/05	22
MT. VERNON NAZARENE	1/29/05	16
WILBERFORCE	2/1/05	23
OHIO DOMINICAN	2/5/05	22
at Urbana	2/8/05	18
at Rio Grande	2/10/05	19
WALSH	2/12/05	20
at Tiffin	2/15/05	19
at Malone	2/19/05	24
at Daemen	2/26/05	20
vs Lyndon State	3/9/05	16
vs Saint Francis	3/11/05	19
vs Ozarks	3/12/05	33
vs Concordia NE	3/14/05	36
vs Morningside	3/15/05	21
Totals	21.8 avg.	805

2005-06 Season (29-4)

Opponent	Date	Pts
SPRING ARBOR	11/4/05	25
INDIANA WESLEYAN	11/5/05	31
vs Trinity Christian	11/11/05	11
at Huntington	11/12/05	18
TAYLOR	11/15/05	25
DAEMEN	11/18/05	22
at Malone	11/22/05	34
RIO GRANDE	11/29/05	27
at Georgetown	12/2/05	35
vs Lindsey Wilson	12/3/05	25
SHAWNEE STATE	12/10/05	27
at Central State	12/17/05	20
at Master's	12/29/05	40
vs Fresno Pacific	12/30/05	23
WILBERFORCE	1/3/06	25
at Mt. Vernon Nazarene	1/7/06	25
at Urbana	1/10/06	19
at Rio Grande	1/12/06	31
OHIO DOMINICAN	1/14/06	43
TIFFIN	1/17/06	34
WALSH	1/21/06	22
at Shawnee State	1/24/06	33
MT. VERNON NAZARENE	1/28/06	44
at Wilberforce	1/31/06	25
at Ohio Dominican	2/4/06	24
URBANA	2/7/06	13
at Walsh	2/11/06	25
at Tiffin	2/14/06	39
MALONE	2/18/06	18
NOTRE DAME	2/25/06	26
vs Maine-Fort Kent	3/8/06	10
vs Bryan	3/10/06	24
vs Northwestern	3/11/06	47
Totals	27.0 avg.	890

2006-07 Season (27-7)

Opponent	Date	Pts
BRYAN	11/3/06	31
INDIANA WESLEYAN	11/4/06	28
at Saint Francis	11/10/06	24
vs Spring Arbor	11/11/06	18

TAYLOR	11/14/06	28
vs Indiana-South Bend	11/17/06	18
vs Virginia-Wise	11/18/06	18
WILBERFORCE	11/21/06	26
at Urbana	11/28/06	26
at Georgetown	12/1/06	20
vs Lindsey Wilson	12/2/06	29
WALSH	12/9/06	27
at Ohio Dominican	12/19/06	22
at Warner Southern	12/28/06	25
vs Bethel	12/29/06	32
at Mt. Vernon Nazarene	1/4/07	42
at Tiffin	1/6/07	38
at Shawnee State	1/9/07	36
OHIO DOMINICAN	1/13/07	22
at Malone	1/16/07	22
RIO GRANDE	1/20/07	45
MT. VERNON NAZARENE	1/23/07	32
at Walsh	1/27/07	32
at Wilberforce	1/30/07	23
SHAWNEE STATE	2/3/07	41
URBANA	2/8/07	21
TIFFIN	2/10/07	34
at Rio Grande	2/15/07	35
MALONE	2/17/07	29
at Daemen	2/24/07	34
vs Union KY	3/7/07	25
vs Morningside	3/9/07	25
vs Taylor	3/10/07	29
vs Indiana Wesleyan	3/12/07	30
Totals	28.4 avg.	967

Twenty Career 30-point Games:

at Cardinal Stritch	12/4/04	31
vs Ozarks	3/12/05	33
vs Concordia NE	3/14/05	36
INDIANA WESLEYAN	11/5/05	31
at Malone	11/22/05	34
at Georgetown	12/2/05	35
at Rio Grande	1/12/06	31
TIFFIN	1/17/06	34
at Shawnee State	1/24/06	33
at Tiffin	2/14/06	39
BRYAN	11/3/06	31
vs Bethel	12/29/06	32
at Tiffin	1/6/07	38
at Shawnee State	1/9/07	36
MT. VERNON NAZARENE	1/23/07	32
at Walsh	1/27/07	32
TIFFIN	2/10/07	34
at Rio Grande	2/15/07	35
at Daemen	2/24/07	34
vs. Indiana Wesleyan	3/12/07	30

Eight Career 40-point Games:

at Shawnee State	12/11/04	41
at Master's	12/29/05	40
OHIO DOMINICAN	1/14/06	43
MT. VERNON NAZARENE	1/28/06	44
vs Northwestern	3/11/06	47
at Mt. Vernon Nazarene	1/4/07	42
RIO GRANDE	1/20/07	45
SHAWNEE STATE	2/3/07	41



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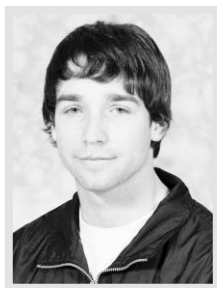
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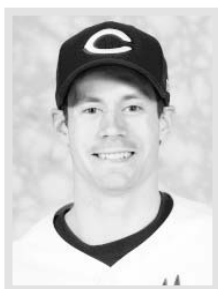
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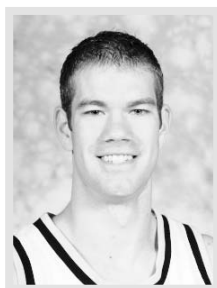
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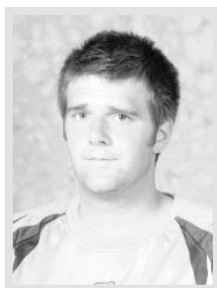
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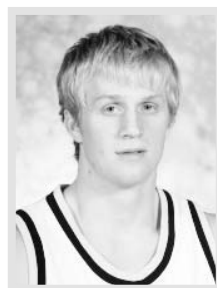
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Women's Soccer



**Kristen
Malpass**
Women's Soccer



**Joshua
Maughon**
Men's Track



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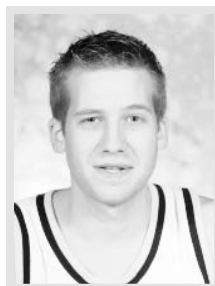
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Christina Reyes
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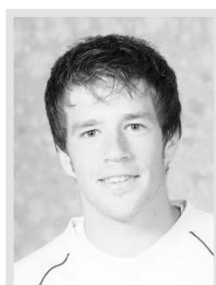
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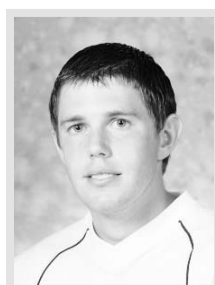
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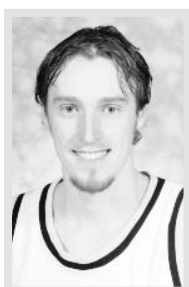
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Women's
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Maicol Venter
Men's
Basketball



Betsy Verwys
Women's
Tennis



Karah Walton
Women's
Basketball



Dan White
Baseball



Bonnie Wright
Women's Track &
Field



Melissa Wysong
Women's Cross
Country & Track



Tyler Yoder
Men's
Basketball

Richie Reeder, a communications major from York, PA, has been a four-year starter for the Yellow Jacket baseball team as a third baseman. He has played in over 150 games with a career batting average over .300. Richie shares some thoughts about his family, God's working in his life as well as being a student-athlete at Cedarville.

Tell us about your family.

I am the oldest of five kids. Since I was the oldest, I always got blamed for everything, I think it made me more responsible. My mom and dad were high school sweethearts and have been together for over thirty years. They just celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary last August. All of my family, including extended family, lives in the York, PA area.

How did you first learn about Cedarville and what was the process that brought you here?

I first learned about Cedarville through a video my sister received in the mail. I wasn't originally considering attending a Christian school. I wanted to go somewhere that I could continue my baseball career, regardless of its spiritual or academic standards. The Lord changed my heart as I saw some schools for what they really were on baseball recruiting visits. I e-mailed Coach Hughes about the possibility of attending Cedarville and he started recruiting me. After he made the trip to Pennsylvania to watch me play, I signed with CU....I ended up turning down scholarships to some Pennsylvania schools to travel out to the cornfields of Ohio to play ball.

What have you appreciated the most about your overall Cedarville experience?

I've enjoyed the spiritual emphasis that is placed on everything at CU. Chapel has been invigorating since day one and I have loved how sports and evangelism are tied together. Until I came to Cedarville, I never would have thought that I could serve on a baseball missions trip.

What have been some special memories about your baseball career?

The missions trips to the Dominican Republic during my freshman and junior years were life-changing. As a result of those two experiences, I can definitely see the Lord using me on the mission field in full-time service in the future. Being recognized by the NAIA as a scholar-athlete was always a goal of mine, so it was cool to have that happen.

What will you miss most about Cedarville?

Definitely the people. I would have to say that I will miss the awesome relationships that the Lord has allowed me to develop while I have been here at Cedarville. Sure, I'll be able to stay in touch with some of them, but I am truly blessed by the friends that I've made here at school. And not just my peers, but the faculty and staff. From Dr. Brown to people in the athletic department and communications department to the janitors that clean our

dorms - there are so many people that have touched my life here.

What have been some of the lessons God has taught you over the last four years?

I think that the biggest lesson that the Lord has taught me over my time here is to completely depend on him for everything. He's sometimes had to strip me of things that have been near to my heart to grab my attention, but I completely realize now that He is completely sovereign and He does whatever He pleases. I've learned to look for God in any and every situation. I have also learned so much about my identity in Christ. Richie Reeder is not a baseball player, a student, a member of Theta Rho Epsilon, or a dorm RA - those are things that I do. Richie Reeder is a child of the King and my self-worth can never be based on the things that I do, but only on who God says I am.



What has been the best part of baseball at CU for you?

Wow! I get excited every time I run out onto that field. It doesn't matter whether we've lost 10 games in a row or whether we're playing well, I love playing baseball!! It is the greatest game on earth and I respect the game so much. I would say that the best part is getting to play the sport that I love with other Christian brothers. It's one thing to play with guys who are competitive, but it's another thing to play with guys that I can pray with and laugh with. I will miss the fun that we've had as a team the most. The bus rides, the different personalities on the team, the jokes...I'll miss hanging out with my teammates every day at the field as well.

What has been the most difficult part of playing baseball at Cedarville?

Obviously losing is no fun. I HATE to lose, and I've spent the majority of my career at Cedarville losing baseball games. It's been difficult to go out and give 100% every day for the entire year and still end up at the bottom of our conference. God has taught me to look at the big picture, though - baseball is a game. It does not last forever and if we place all our effort and hope in baseball, we're in for a rough life. I think the losses have helped humble me and allow God to help me deal with defeat in a godly way.

What are your plans after graduation?

After graduation I will be marrying the love of my life, Regan Rachelle Rice on July 7, 2007 and we will be moving to Pittsburgh where I will be working downtown for a company called Marsh Inc. as a Risk Analyst.

